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SUBJ: PRESS INQUIRIES CONCERNING BRUNTHAVER VISIT

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1. I BELIEVE IT INADVISABLE TO PURSUE DISSIMULATIVE PRESS GUIDANCE SET FORTH IN REFTEL, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF FOLLOWING TASS REPORT: " MOSCOW, MAY 21. TASS. AN AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL DELEGATION HEADED BY DEPUTY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNITED STATES BROADHAVER (SIC) ARRIVED HERE TODAY. THE GUESTS WILL HOLD TALKS WITH SOVIET SCIENTISTS AND SPECIALISTS ON THE DRAWING UP OF A DRAFT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE UNITED STATES ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF AGRICULTURE.

2. MY RECOMMENDATION IS THAT IF ASKED, WE PLAY THE BRUNTHAVER VISIT HERE ABSOLUTELY STRAIGHT SINCE REPORTERS ARE ALREADY AWARE FROM KISSINGER BACKGROUNDER THAT CERTAIN POSSIBLE AGREEMENTS WILL BE UNDER NEGOTIATION IN ANTICIPATION OF JUNE SUMMIT MEETING.
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